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Otto Günsche - What Hitler's SS Adjutant Admitted 40 Years Later

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He was standing just outside the door when it happened — close enough to hear the end, and responsible for what came after.
Otto Günsche was the man ordered to make sure nothing remained. For decades, his testimony was locked away, scattered across interrogations and shaped by silence, pressure, and time. When it finally surfaced, it didn't change the story — it exposed the cracks in it.
This video isn't about how it ended. It's about the man tasked with erasing it — and the unsettling truth that even the closest witness never had the full picture.

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@dodgerfan1963 2 months ago

15 minutes of information stretched out to 31 minutes by repeating the same thoughts and talking in circles.

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Gunsche's friend, Max Wunsche, rose in similar fashion in the SS and performed a similar role as Hitler's SS adjutant from 1938-40. When I was stationed with the US military in West Germany in the 1980's I had the opportunity to meet Wunsche, who later commanded the 12th SS Pz Regiment of the 12th SS Pz Division in the Normandy campaign in 1944, and who, like Gunsche, survived the war into old age. Long story of chance as to how that came about, but I found him to be a fascinating character. Up until then I had never expected to meet anyone who had lived and worked at the …

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@LabRat26976 3 months ago

It's rare having a narrator who speaks so clearly - Thank You!

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Thanks for doing a video about Gunsche! I'm surprised not much info is out there about him.

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@charlesmccabe5503 2 months ago

This is the first time I heard about this man in his story, thank you.

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@frankteunissen6118 2 months ago

Fascinating story and unusually nuanced for a YT video. We need more stuff of this quality.

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@seamusweber8298 3 months ago
Fascinating video. It's clear that Gunsche, rightly or wrongly, remained loyal to the oath that he swore, to the very end of his life.
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@browngreen933 2 months ago
His loyalty never wavered.
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@Jean-rg4sp 13 days ago
I have seldom heard so many words telling us nothing much.
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@leewilton5082 3 months ago
Gunsche was a man of character. He did not write a book, he spent his life reflecting, and maintaining confidentiality. A complex and challenging conundrum, given his position.
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@teufeldoc22-3 3 months ago (edited)
Eric Dorr of the Gettysburg Museum of History was able to get confirmed Hitler had Parkinson's through his DNA from the blood in the couch he owns in his collection. Günsche was covered in the movie 'Downfall' and his role in the bunker.
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@raymondtonns2521 2 months ago
you did a very good job in this examination of the subject
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@clarkgable2733 3 months ago
The victors write the history, and they tell us just what they want us to know, and little more, and what they tell us, does not always conform to the truth.
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@johncox2865 3 months ago
A singularity evocative historical video.
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@EM.1. 3 months ago
I remember watching a recent story about him in which he left detailed information about his role and Hitler in a safe hidden in the walls of his home. This was found after his death.
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@WayneMoore-ui8pm 2 months ago
This was quite well done. Impressive!
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I used to see him every evening in the summer at the local outdoor swimming pool for years. He would quietly swim his laps. A very nice man who never spoke about his past.

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@janeferguson4455 3 months ago

very informative. I have never heard of this man before... At least he was reflective for the rest of his life... That could not have been easy.

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He just happened to be chosen to be in his position because he was good at what he did. He was tall, he looked good in the black SS uniform, and over time, he pretty much kept his mouth shut. I suppose that in the beginning he felt he was on the winning side. And after things fell apart, his loyalty pretty much remained. I don't admire him at all, but he was there through it all...

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